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For: SCATTERING SHEET, AND LAMINATED SHEET AND LIQUID CRYSTAL  
DISPLAY DEVICE USING THE SAME

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1. U.S. Patent No. 4,268,127 issued May 19, 1981, to Oshima et al.
2. WO 97/01610, issued January 16, 1997.
3. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 07-104127, published April 21, 1995, with English Abstract.
4. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 07-216328, published August 15, 1995, with English Abstract.
5. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 09-113893, published May 2, 1997, with English Abstract.
6. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 11-80688, published March 26, 1999, with English Abstract.

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7. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-35506, published February 2, 2000, with English Abstract.

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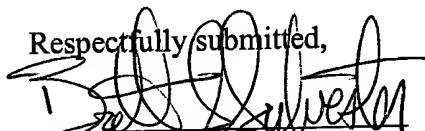
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